

The Federal Communications Commission

Dear The Federal Communications Commission,

I do not want to pay more for my telephone service! I urge you to reject a flat fee proposal that would change how contributions are made to the Universal Service Fund. I am concerned that this proposal could make my current service unaffordable.

Under the flat fee proposal you are considering, people who make few long distance calls would pay the same as people or businesses that make many calls. In other words, low-volume and primarily residential customers would bear the same universal service fund burden as a high-volume residential or business customers. This is unfair!

I use my wireless phone for safety, security and convenience. I don't want to lose these benefits so that big businesses can pay less than their fair share. I urge you to reject the proposal to move the USF collection system to a flat-fee.

All I own besides my land line is a prepaid cellular phone for emergency use. Am I to pay the same for it as someone who is using hundreds of minutes more than me each month? How is this fair and why is it necessary? Do you know this will likely mean either me or one of my children whom I send the phone with on excursions will be without the safety of a phone to use in case of emergency?

Keep the USF Fair!

Sincerely,

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